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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-307, The Capitol Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$3,000,000 for the Village of Mill Shoals Water Public Infrastructure project in Mill Shoals, Illinois in fiscal year 2024.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the Village of Mill Shoals, IL, located at 630 East Street PO Box 706 Mill Shoals, IL 62862.

The proposed project will replace the crumbling and dangerous public water infrastructure in Mill Shoals, Illinois. The water mains and meters from 1964 will be replaced with new valves, hydrants, and other appurtenances as part of this project. With funding, this project to replace the Village of Mill Shoals waterlines, meters, and repair the water tank.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars and is anticipated to have the following benefits. Water main upgrades in this area will result in fewer main breaks and repairs, improve water quality, and comply with all EPA requirements. By lowering the risk of water main ruptures, boil orders, water contamination, and public contamination exposure will be reduced and water pressure will increase. Residents are unable or unwilling to drink the water because of its current quality, residents will be able to rely on their local public water infrastructure again.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by Section 306 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, 7 U.S. Code section 1926(a)(2).

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Mike Bost

Member of Congress

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